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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Art Unit 2173
Examiner Name Brian J. Detwiler
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR \$1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR \$1.116 previously filed on 1 Apr 2004.

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on *****.

iii. ☐ Other

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Letter: Record of Interview

2. MISCELLANEOUS

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR \$1/103(c) for a period of ** months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR \$1.17(i) required).

b. ☐ Other

3. FEES

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 12-2158:

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR \$1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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